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Early Season Holiday Rush Sets Record

Labor Day, which is the unofficial opening date of the winter season on the desert, came early this year and brought with it an influx of visitors that taxed to capacity ,and more, the hotel, motel and guest cabin accommodations of Joshua Tree. From early Friday evening until Monday morning carloads of visitors rolled into this thriving desert community. Although the thermometer registered high the altitude and lack of humidity was a welcome relief to the city dwellers who came to escape the hundred plus heat of the lowlands.

The influence of this record crowd was felt in the restaurants, grocery stores and at places of entertainment as well as in the local hostelrys. The dance and ball game enjoyed capacity crowds who soon exhausted the supply of beer and soft drinks. Everywhere the holiday spirit was in evidence. Private homes had their full quota of visitors as friends and relatives came to renew old friendships or to see the desert for the first time.

If the past weekend is an indication of the season to follow then Joshua Tree should prepare for an unprecedented period of activity. The National Monument is becoming better known and increasingly more popular as a tourist attraction. Guest ranches and riding stables will do well to take note and hurry their planning to establish here.

The publicity already given Joshua Tree through the medium of radio and newspapers has been augmented by the word of mouth praise of those who have experienced the health-giving sunshine and pure water to be found here. Many of the holiday visitors have made plans to settle permanently as soon as possible.

The Forward O. P.

One of the Journal's readers from the Tall Corn state sent me a card saying that she enjoyed the news of Joshua Tree and was sending me a paper from Des Moines to show what they did back there. The kind lady is Mrs. J. D. Hayes, a cousin of Don Houghton of The Gift Shop. Since the girl friend and I both hail from Iowa it seemed good to hear from the old home state, particularly so since the issue of the Des Moines Register that arrived was the State Fair special edition. Memories of cute little 4H girls tending 1,000 pound baby beeves, prize hogs and snappy five gaited saddle horses came back as I devoured the columns of newsprint. Thanks, Mrs. Hayes.

It may be that a complete sanitary service will be offered to the citizens of Joshua Tree in the very near future. That will certainly help us to keep the town cleaner than it has been recently. Garbage and rubbish disposal is important in maintaining a healthy clean community. Vacant lots cluttered with cement sacks and empty beer cans don't offer much inducement for newcomers to remain either.

The John Duncans received a detailed and interesting account of their recent trip that was compiled by C. C. Moore, ex-governor of Idaho and who accompanied the Duncans thru Yellowstone and parts of Idaho.

Watch the bulletin board for the exact date of the forthcoming titanic struggle for the baseball supremacy of the desert between Berg's Old Men from 29 Palms and "Huberta Aldridges C of C Honeys" of Joshua Tree. So much secrecy surrounds the preparations for this epic battle that no details can be released, but anyone who misses the game will never be able to say he has lived. The gory affair will take place under the lights at Legion Field. Come and bring the family but if you've got a weak heart tote the aspirin bottle, too.

MGM Photographer Holidays in Joshua Tree

Occupying one of the Cottrell cottages during the Labor Day weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Otto Dyar of North Hollywood. Mr. Dyar is a still Photographer with M-G-M Studios. He has worked on several of Van Johnson's recent films, doing still and portrait shots. On one of the films they spent three months on location in Sonora, Mexico.

Dyars started as an assistant camera man in 1919 but later worked into the still photography end of the business. He has been with Lasky, Paramount and Fox Studios as well as M-G-M. He spent several years visiting motion picture studios in European countries. For two years he was associated with Gaumont British in London. The Dyars like the altitude and year round climate of Joshua Tree and may locate here.

Gilpin's Opening New Branch

Ed Gilpin of Gilpin's Plumbing Co. in 29 Palms is completing preparations for the opening of his new store in Yucca Valley. He will offer a complete line of plumbing and heating fixtures and a plumbing service there as he has done for the past several years in 29 Palms.

Gilpin is active in the promotion of athletic and recreational activities in this area and was prime mover in the establishment of the softball field named after him. His business in 29 Palms has recently been enlarged to provide for an attractive show room and office.

New Lumber Business Opens Here

Having leased a portion of the Crane Building Supplies property, R. L. McClain of Los Angeles opened for business yesterday, September 2nd, as a wholesale and retail lumber dealer. McClain is associated with the Ponderosa Pine Company of California and has been in the lumber business for a number of years.

Truckloads of lumber started rolling into the yard last Saturday. This will be a welcome addition to the business life of Joshua Tree as local builders have had no lumber supply close at hand for several months. Heavy construction timber and finished lumber will be available.

The Cranes who were among the first to engage in business in Joshua Tree will continue to handle a complete line of builders hardware, cement and other supplies. McClain predicted a considerable increased in building activity for the coming year and was impressed with the possibilities for a continued growth in the business and residential districts of Joshua Tree.

Mrs. Lafferty Named Christmas Seal Head

Elmer C. Alspaugh of the San Bernardino County Tuberculosis and Health Association announced last Wednesday that Mrs. Vesta Lafferty had been appointed chairman for Joshua Tree of the annual Christmas Seal sale. Attending to publicity, checking mailing lists and collection of unsold seals will be among the duties of the chairman, said Alspaugh. Mrs. Lafferty is active in civic affairs and is particularly interested in securing adequate school facilities for Joshua Tree and in the health and welfare of the pupils. She is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, the Women's Club and the PTA.

Rag Bags Ransacked for Hard Times Hoe-Down

An uninformed observer would have thought he was on Tobacco Road Saturday night had he dropped into the Sportsmans dance. The bottom of more than one barrel must have been scraped to provide the outlandish costumes that almost covered the wearers as they competed for the several prizes offered for the worst get-up. $5.00 cash prizes were won by Gerald Papendick, Mary Ojala and Jeanette Clark. A pound of bacon from Art Snyder at the Trading Post went to Pick Laughlin, Gladys Teeter won a set of goblets from Becker's, Myra Coulter and Homer Evans each copped a steak dinner at the Steak House, Frank Wilberg won a prize donated by the Joshua Tree Electric Shop and Bob Garry took the 3c stamp given by Grace Aldridge. Meredith Willey MCed the doings and costumes were judged by Thelma Wiser, Forrest Wilson, Joe Arch, Dr. Dean Fairbanks and Doc Ford.

SPECIAL NOTICE

Effective Saturday, September 6th, the office of the Joshua Tree Townsite Company will remain open until 11 p.m. on Saturday evenings for the benefit of those arriving late and who wish sleeping accommodations.

Ferris to Head Palm Springs Recreation Center

Martel Ferris of Yucca Mesa, well known in Joshua Tree, reported last week to the Journal that he has accepted an appointment as Director of the Youth Recreation Center in Palm Springs. Ferris has been a state approved youth activity director for some time. His work will require his presence in Palm Springs full time but he expects to spend his weekends at Yucca Mesa.

Ferris said that plans are being developed for Youth Recreation in the local desert area. A steadily growing demand for this type activity exists and is of great importance in the development of any community.

Forster-Glasenapp Wedding Occurs At Yuma

William J. Forster, local Chevron station operator, and Martha Glasenapp, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Moore of Salinas, surprised their friends in Joshua Tree by quietly slipping away to Yuma, Arizona, early last Sunday, August 24th, to be married. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Meredith Willey. The ceremony was performed at the Church of Christ in Yuma by the Rev. Piper. The wedding party returned late Sunday afternoon.

Forster is the newly elected Commander of the local American Legion post and active in the Sportsmans Club and the Chamber of Commerce. The newlyweds are at home in the former Monteleon residence on Easterly Drive.

On Wednesday night about 11:30 a group of about fifty friends staged a charivari that took the Forsters completely by surprise. Shouting and beating the traditional dish pans was accompanied by light artillery fire that roused not only the honored couple but practically everyone within a radius of ten miles. The merrymakers were treated to refreshments by the Forsters.

Desert Cafe Under New Management

Effective September 5th the Desert Cafe operated by Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hanna will be operated and managed by Helen Palmer. Mrs. Palmer announces that good wholesome meals will be served from 6 a.m. till 8 p.m. except on Tuesdays when the cafe will be closed. Equipment for the serving of malts and shakes is expected soon.

Assisting Mrs. Palmer will be her mother, Mrs. Mabel Childers who will be in charge of the kitchen and the preparation of food. Mrs. Childers was formerly manager of the dining room at Palms Hot Springs in the high Sierras. Serving will be done by Joy Palmer and Mary Lou Schenert.

The Personal Touch

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Moore returned last Tuesday after a ten-day visit in Long Beach.

Arriving Tuesday for a visit with Mrs. H. E. Pepper were Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Decker and daughter, Carolyn of Dallas, Texas. They also will visit Los Angeles and Yosemite and return for a short stay in Joshua Tree. Mr. Decker is a nephew of Mrs. Pepper.

Dr. Ann Stewart and Mrs. Barbara Moody of Montrose were visitors last Monday with Alice Powell Beckford at Golden Tree Lodge. Mrs. Moody was formerly a member of the Journal staff.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Cavanaugh and Carolyn Jean and Butch came from Camp Baldy to surprise their folks, the Gray Krumckes. They spent the Labor Day holidays here.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Harper after a week's stay in Joshua Tree left Friday morning for their home in Los Angeles. They plan to go to Oregon soon to visit a sister of Mrs. Harper's and to stay while Mrs. Harper receives treatment for arthritis.

Bill Miesten left Tuesday for a tour of the west coast's scenic points before returning to his home in New York City.

Billie Jean Barron of Montrose who has been visi ing her grandmother, Mrs. Sophia Marley, through the summer will remain until school starts on September 8th.

Celebrating his firs birthday anniversary on Monday, August 25, was Carl Stephen Leyne, tiny son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Leyhe.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Camp, Miss Jerry Svagger and Mr. T. J. Burns of Los Angeles spent the Labor Day holidays in Joshua Tree at Neff's Motel. Mr. Burns renewed his Journal subscription while here.

Visiting Mrs. Chester R. Bunker for a week are her brother and sister from Los Angeles, Charles A. Gregg and Miss Zelma Gregg.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Peterman of Pasadena spent the holidays in Joshua Trte and looking after interests at Sun Valley.

Spending the holidays at Mira Monte Courts were Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Haynes of Los Angeles and their grandson, George Washington Fowler, Jr. G. W., Jr., returned to his folks cabin at Crestline on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Votava of Los Angeles occupied a Frank Cook cottage during their weekend visit in Joshua Tree. The Votavas own property on Sunrise Terrace.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Beard of Santa Ana are visiting E. A. Baldwin at the Joshua Trailer Camp for an indefinite stay. They plan to locate in Joshua Tree.

A frequent visitor and property owner in Joshua Tree, Mary Selby of Los Angeles, spent the weekend at Mira Monte Court. Mrs. Selby is with the Southern California Automobile Club in Los Angeles.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Rees spent last Friday in Corona.

E. A. Baldwin of the Joshua Trailer Camp returned last week from a two weeks vacation at Springfield, Illinois. He visited a brother and sister there and took in the State Fair.

Joanna Lee Bash and Pamela Valdez were holidays visitors from Hollywood.

Terry and John Bild of Los Angeles spent the weekend at their Joshua Tree home.

Dan Morris, a visiting newspaperman from Los Angeles, spent the holidays in a Barringer cabin on Sunset Drive.

The Meredith Willeys were in San Bernardino Friday on business.

The City of St. Francis of the Angels was visited last Friday by Sam Lafferty who transacted business there.

Lynn Snyder spent last Thursday and Friday in Hollywood. She was accompanied on her return by her father who spent the holidays with Lynn and Ray.

Forrest Wilson returned Friday after a short business trip to Southern California's metropolis.

From Los Angeles for the Labor Day weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Steve Moninger, Col. E. B. Moore and Chrsty Nelson who stayed at Golden Tree Lodge.

Doris Wells of The City of The Angels spent the holidays with Elizabeth Buckley at her home on Sunburst.

Mid-week guests at Desertaire Lodge included Mrs. Paul W. Laber of Chicago and Mrs. Gertrude Penn and Mrs. Maude Kiplinger of Sierra Madre. At the Lodge Tuesday until Thursday were Mrs. Ruth Longtin and Mr. and Mrs. Colburn of Sherman Oaks. Weekend visitors were Dr. Emma Clausen and daughters, Bertha and Greta Ammond, and Miriam Rood all of Los Angeles; Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Adcock of Glendale; Mr. and Mrs. A. Wernblad of El Monte; and Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Church and mother from Burbank.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ray Moore for a week are Mrs. Kemp Smith, daughter, Laura Lee, and Miss Carolyn Clark of Long Beach.

Before the Saturday night dance a steak fry in Coyote Hole was enjoyed by the Ray Schultzes, the Roger Clarks, Venice Hoovers and William Bunkers and their house guests, and Patty Keyes and Bob Garry.

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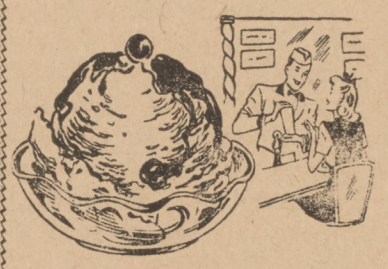

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The Ira Hovers are parents of a brand new baby girl born on Sunday at Santa Ana. Mrs. Hover is the daughter of Mrs. John L. Duncan. The Hovers also reside in Joshua Tree during the school year as Mr. Hover drives the School Bus.

Guests at the John L. Duncan home for the weekend were Mr. and Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Kirkham and Mrs. Clark Kirkham and two daughters from Burbank.

Gus Ojala suffered a painful injury to his eye last week when a piece of metal flew into it unknown to Gus. The mental became imbedded and started paining so that Gus visited the medico who removed the offending particle.

Mr. and Mrs. William Ambach of Torrance spent the weekend at their cabin at Black Rock near Yucca Valley.

At the La Ferney Ranch for the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Lee Spotswood from Pomona.

Don Heyer, Helen Fry and Mary Lou Schonert were guests of Helen Palmer at La Ferney Ranch over the weekend.

A swim at Keyes Ranch lake in the Monument was enjoyed Sunday by Dick Johnson, Bob Garry and Ray Schultz.

Mrs. Kathinka Asker, mother of Mrs. George Bloom has been confined to her bed for the last three weeks as a result of two falls which injured her hip.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Mitchell of North Hollywood spent Sunday with his brother, Charles Mitchell and Mrs. Mitchell.

Car trouble enroute delayed the arrival of Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Miner and three children from Los Angeles last Friday night, until 2:00 a.m. Saturday. Seeing a light in the Clubhouse they stopped and were made comfortable for the night as guests of Chester Bunker.

Mrs. Edythe Fraetis, Clubhouse hostess, has been laid up for the past ten days with an injured sacro iliac.

Visiting June and Don Houghton on Sunday and Monday were June's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd G. McMains of Long Beach. The McMains have become enamoured of our desert and head this way at every opportunity. Incidentally, they read the Journal from "kiver to kiver."

The John F. Schwarzers of Los Angeles, frequent visitors in Joshua Tree, were at Margaret Bair's home for the holiday weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Turner and Mr. and Mrs. John Cascio of Los Angeles were holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Wood of Woody's Emporium. The Turner's are interested in Joshua Tree and contemplate settling here.

Sunday visitors at Nancy White's were Lottie Daniels and Wm. Novak of Los Angeles.

Holiday guests at the William Bunker's included Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Billingsley and son, Berry, and Robert Marsh from Los Angeles. They attended the Sportsman's dance and the celebration at Yucca Valley while here.

Mr. and Mrs. Rey Bowles of Los Angeles were guests of Mrs. Clell Hirdman for the holidays.

At Mira Monte Courts for the Labor Day weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Barnhart of Los Angeles, Lars Moen and Howard Way of Hollywood, and Dean and Rose Campbell of Tarzana.

Louise and Stefan de Bandrowsky returned last week from a delightful eighteen day tour of California. From here they went to San Diego via El Centro. With friends there they enjoyed sailing on the Pacific. After a few days in Los Angeles they followed the coast route through Carmel, Monterey to San Francisco. On to Fresno, through the Sequoias and then to Tulare and back completed the trip.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Papendick have just returned from San Francisco, where they spent a week visiting Mr. Papendick's brother.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Bauer of Cabazon are spending a week in Joshua Tree with their friends, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kirch.

Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Winter and son Lowell of Los Angeles spent the holiday weekend at their Joshua Tree home on Easterly Drive. Mr. Winter renewed his subscription to the Journal.

Bob Gary, Dick Johnson and Ray Schultz enjoyed a swim in the Lake at Keys Ranch Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Morris of Los Angeles, formerly of Joshua Tree accompanied by Miss Esther Nichols visited Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tootle in Sun Valley and friends in Joshua Tree over the holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Peeden and son, Lewis of Peeden's Nursery, Yucaipa Valley were visiting friends over the holiday in Joshua Tree.

Sun Valley turkey was the piece de resistance at a delightful dinner served by Mr. and Mrs. George Ledesma at their Sun Valley Home on Sunday to seventeen Joshuans and out of town guests. Those partaking of turkey and fixin's were Mr. and Mrs. Chester R. Bunker, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald McMillen and Larry Gray all of Joshua Tree, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Haines, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Boyle, Miss Zelma Gregg, Charles A. Gregg, Christy Nelson and Steve Moninger of Los Angeles, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Peterman of Pasadena and Mr. and Mrs. Tex Dunsworth of Sun Valley.

With the Joe Arches for an indefinite stay are Joe's brother and sister-in-law, John and Jean Arch and their infant daughter, Diane. John is a musician from Milwaukee. Labor Day evening the visitors were entertained at a steak fry in Indian Cove. In addition to the John and Joe Arches, the Meredith Willeys and Gerald McMillens enjoyed the picnic.

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SCHOOL DAYS

"School days, school days, dear old Golden Rule days," are almost here again. Many a mother will heave a sigh of relief next week to realize that someone else will have charge of her precocious darlings for most of the day.

The school situation is temporarily solved for Joshua Tree to the benefit of the school children and the American Legion, and indirectly the whole community. But it is a temporary solution only. The question of a site for a permanent school is still unsettled.

Until the amount of state aid to this district is disclosed the Board of Trustees is understandably reluctant to plan definitely on the size and type of buildings for Joshua Tree. But several parcels of land are available for purchase and the Trustees have agreed to acquire one. The question uppermost in the minds of Joshuans is, "Why the delay?"

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Lowly Philosophy

By JUNE LeMERT PAXTON

Instead of June Le Mert Paxton's usual column this space is devoted to an interesting account of a trip taken by her daughter, Evelyn Paxton.

IMPRESSIONS OF GUATEMALA
By Evelyn Paxton

Lovers of beautiful scenery would find their paradise in Guatemala, northernmost republic of Central America. Stupendously high mountains covered with the rich greens of the tropics unfold range after range. The floors of broad valleys support beautifully cultivated groves of bananas, coffee and cocoanut palms, while the steep, narrow gorges of energetic streams are lined on either side by the cornfields of the Indians, who till them miraculously at a breath-taking angle. The cones of volcanoes as perfectly formed as Fuji dot land, trusting villages clinging to their bases. And three dramatic lakes, exploited firstt by Indians and now shared with tourists, add to the natural beauties of this Latin-American neighbor.

The cool climate of the interior of Gua emala is often a surprise to its visitors, who are likely to assume that because it lies well into the tropics, the weather is consistently hot. But the altitude of the interior of the country, coupled with the rain in the summer season, lowers the temperature to the poin where the newer hotels are putting fireplaces in each bedroom for the comfort of their guests in the evening and early morning. To ignite the logs, they use little bundles of sticks that are na urally loaded with pitch, and one of these small bundles ignited will start several logs. Fire wood is sold in all the markets and many Indians are seen on the road bearing tremendous loads of wood on their backs to be sold in the nearest village. To reach Lake Izabel in the Atlantic lowlands one rides a narrow gauge train whose engine burns wood and occasionally emits clouds of live sparks that blow into the tiny chaircar and work havoc on the unsuspecting traveler's costume.

The chief items attracting foreign shoppers in Guatemala are the carved leather purses, different in design from those of Mexico, and great varieties of hand-woven textiles. A number of Americans own shops there which supervise the weaving of cloth for garments and household articles to make sure that only color-fast dyes are used. These are beautiful but are rather expensive. If you buy from the natives directly, however, you may be disappointed when you reach home to find the colors in your favorite run when washed. I bought both types.

Perhaps most tourists find the Indian life the most fascinating feature of Guatemala—and approximately eighty per cent of the population is Indian. Their costumes are still largely traditional and handmade, though the tendency to import machine-made fabrics and garments is creeping in. Many colors and a great number of styles are worn by both men and women, varying with the village in which they live. The red skirts of the women of Santiago Atitlan make good color movies; and I brought home a pair of the purple-striped trousers of the men of that village to make myself a pair of pedal-pushers. Most of the Indians go barefooted, even the waitresses, who tread the cold tile floor of the hotel dining room. The picturesqueness of the Indian life was overshadowed, in my mind, however, by the sordid conditions in which they live. The average life span is thirty-three, I am told.

But whether one sees beauty or poverty, a few weeks of roaming in a strange land in search of new sights and experiences brings one to the point where he thinks that the most pleasant experience would be to be on a plane about to land at the airport of this home town. In this frame of mind I made arrangements to board a Pan-American plane about noon one day in early August and at two o'clock the next afternoon reached the municipal airport, having spanned the distance between the Switzerland of America, with all its pastoral charms, and Los Angeles, with its teeming traffic, in twelve hours flying time.

Yucca Valley Club Opening Big Success

The new club house of the Yucca Valley Community Service Club was officially opened at a dance and barbecue celebration on Saturday night and Sunday that attracted throngs of citizens from all over the desert area. Dancing on Saturday and Sunday nights was enjoyed to the music of a five piece orchestra from Pomona. A piping hot barbecue dinner was served that hit the spot with those present.

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- SPORTS -

Extra Base Blows Beat Sport Center Cubs Win 13 - 7

The Joshua Cubs overthrew the Character Room jinx Wednesday night at Gilpin Field when they defeated the Marksmen 13 runs to 7, altho the losers got one more hit than the Cubs. The game was featured by some wierd doings, such as Doc Ford's theft of home plate, Dick Johnson hitting a six base home run and an uncalled for double play by the Cubs in the seventh inning. The only strike-out of the game was credited to Cullens who relieved Mann on the mound for Sport Center in the sixth. He had Leyhe muttering to himself after missing three floaters that took years to reach the plate .

For the Cubs Thomas singled to start the game but was left on second as Manzer flied out to right Clark hit an easy one to first and Garry also lifted one to right.

The Characters took a two run lead when Franklin doubled after Barnett popped up to Marble and then Coats liner to right took a bad bounce into the cars for a two run homer.

The Joshuans tied it up in the second when Ford walked and got to third after Leyhes fly to center was caught. Miesten popped out to the second baseman and then Johnson was walked by Mann. When Barnett tried to catch Johnson going to second Doc Ford stole home. Marble then tripled to deep center and Johnson scored. Thomas lobbed one to Franklin for the last out. Neither team scored in the third.

In the fourth Leyhe, first Cub at bat, lined a hot one down the third base line for a homer. Miesten walked on four straight balls and Johnson hit the first pitch deep into center field for a homer. Johnson missed third base on his circuit run but still had time to go back, touch the bag and come home again before the ball was re reived.

Again in the fifth Sport Center failed to tally but the Cubs went on a hitting spree that, with two free tickets from Mann, netted them seven more markers. Clark walked and scored on Garry's double. Ford doubled but Garry was held on third. Leyhe reached first on an error and Garry scored on the play. Miesten walked to fill the bases. After Johnson's long fly to center was caught Ford and Leyhe raced home. Marble fouled out to Barnett but Thomas singled Miesten in and scored on Manzer's double. Clark's two bagger scored Manzer and Garry lifted one to the third baseman to end the inning.

In the sixth both sides zeroed. The Cubs got one more in the first of the seventh and then the Characters cut loose to score five before the last out ended the game. Barnett singled, Franklin was safe on the only Cub error of the game and Barnett sprained his ankle sliding to third. Coats doubled Franklin home but was tagged at third when Mann hit to Leyne and in trying to stretch it Mann slid past second and was out Manzer to Miesten. Nichols singled and came in on Cullen's two bagger. Bumgardner walked and scored with Cullens on Andrew's double. Stratton lined to Clark to end the game.

Marble was steady and had excellent support as he scattered twelve hits and walked three. Mann pitching five innings gave up nine hits, seven of them of the extra base variety, but walked six. Cullens in two innings struck out one and walked one while limiting the Cubs to two hits. The fielding of both teams was excellent as the Cubs erred only once and the Characters twice. Every Cub except Thomas got an extra base hit including Leyhe's and Johnson's homers and Marble's triple. Thomas batted .500 with two singles. For the losers Coats had a perfect evening with a homer, two doubles and a single, and Cullens helped his average with two doubles.

Score by innings	R	H	E
Joshua Cubs 0203701	13	11	1
Sports Center 2000005	7	12	2

Fans Chilled as Cubs Murder Visitors

While a couple hundred spectators shivered and shook in the cold wind that swept Legion Park last Friday night the Joshua Cubs batted themselves silly in winning from the Josh Cafe of 29 Palms by the horrendous score of 33 to 12. Only six of the Cafe regulars appeared for the game so Miesten and Ojala of the Cubs and Ingalls helped to fill the visiting line-up. Home runs and bases on balls were almost as numerous as ordinary little bingles, and errors happened so fast that the score keeper is still dizzy from trying to record them.

A new player appeared in the Cubs line up who showed the fans a bit of catching that was a joy to behold. Brown is the player and he will appear in the regular line-up from now on. He started at second base but switched places with Doc Ford in the last few innings. He also handled the stick right well, getting two homers and two singles out of five official times at bat.

For the visitors Ellis started on the mound but lasted only two innings giving up 15 runs, few of which were earned. Berryhill then took over the mound duties but fared little better as he was nicked for 18 more runs. For the Cubs Clark pitched six innings and struck out three while yielding 11 runs. Garry pitched two thirds of the seventh and walked every man to face him but one. However he had a touch of umpire trouble also. Johnson then southpawed a free walk to the next man but finally got the third out. Dye won the money for the first home run. Brown and Garry each hit for the circuit and Worthen came thru with a homer, a triple, a double and a single for the Cubs.

Score by innings.	R	H	E
Josh Cafe 5 0042 01	12	10	?
Josh Cubs 2134608x	33	28	?

LEAGUE STANDINGS

	Won	Lost
Joshua Cubs	5	1
Kenney's	3	3
Dean-Bagleys	4	3
Joshua Cafe	4	3
Sport Center	3	4
Market Basket	1	6

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The ambulance was called again on Saturday afternoon to bring Ernie Dalton from Whitewater where he had collapsed following release from a hospital where he had undergone a gall bladder operation. Dalton had started to drive to his home in 29 Palms but could not continue. Mrs. Dalton followed the ambulance which Ray Rees drove.

Birthday Dance Held at Community Hall

Two popular Joshua Tree matrons were hostesses to more than forty friends on Tuesday evening, August 26th, when Johnnie Beard and Vesta Lafferty celebrated their birthdays to gether. Mrs. Beard's anniversary is the 22nd and Mrs. Lafferty's the 26th.

Dancing was enjoyed throughout the evening by the guests. At a late hour refreshments were served. The hostesses had made delicious cookies and doughnuts which were accompanied by fruit punch.

The newly completed Community Hall was a perfect setting for the lively celebration.

Desert Masonic Club Holds First Fall Meeting

The first meeting of the fall season of the Desert Masonic Club will be held at the Joshua Tree Barn, Twentynine Palms, Friday evening, September 5, at 8:00 p.m.

Plans for an outdoor barbecue in the Monument, near Joshua Tree, are in the making and are to be completed at this meeting. Date of the event is tentatively set for September 26.

Nearly fifty Master Masons have registered for membership in this new organization. All Master Masons in the valley are eligible for membership .The present membership includes Masons from Twentynine Palms, Joshua Tree, Yucca Valley and Morongo Valley.

Those desiring to affiliate may give their names to any of the following:

M. G. Watkins, Twentynine Palms,

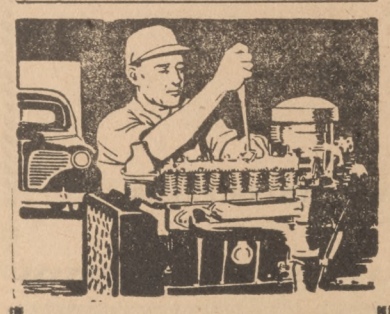
Jack Crane, Joshua Tree, or

A. H. Weir, Morongo.

All are cordially invited to attend the September 5th meeting.

Auxiliary to Install September 11

The American Legion Auxiliary of Joshua Tree Post No. 706 will hold an installation meeting at Legion Hall on September 11 at 8 p.m. The Past Presidents of Troy Martin Auxiliary of 29 Palms will install the new officers of the local group.



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Further Increased Costs Cannot Be Absorbed

A large part of the increased costs which have occurred up to the present time have been absorbed, resulting in a continued reduction in net income. Our hope had been that costs would turn downward and that a rate increase could be avoided. However, current wage increases will further reduce our net income to a point where it will be too low to attract additional capital. The present rates for local telephone service are now insufficient to meet the financial requirements.

A Raise In Rates Is In The Public Interest

A telephone company's obligation is to furnish adequate and dependable service; to meet an ever-increasing demand for service; to pay satisfactory wages to employees and a fair return to investors; and to maintain reasonable rates, sufficient to make it possible to accomplish this task. The establishment of higher rates is in the public interest since it will permit your telephone company to meet its obligation in a thorough and efficient manner, and allow it to carry on its work in line with the sound economics of the American system of free enterprise.

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Coming EVENTS

The Chamber of Commerce meets second Friday of each month at the Community Hall at 8 o'clock.

The Board of Directors of the Chamber of Commerce meets Tuesday evening preceding Chamber of Commerce meeting.

Woman's Auxiliary, American Legion meets 2nd Thursday each month at 8 P.M. Legion Hall. No August meeting.

American Legion meets the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month at the New American Legion Hall.

Joshua Tree Womens Club meets 3rd Friday in September at the Club House.

Community Youth Fellowship meets at 6:30 P.M. every Sunday evening at the home of Mrs. H. K. Lee on Commercial and Sunburst.

The Tri-Valley Lions Club meets the 1st and 3rd Thursday evenings of each month. Watch the Joshua Journal for announcement of the place.

Board of Directors of the Tri-Valley Lions Club meets last Thursday of each month at the O. D. Thomas Office in Yucca Valley. All members are welcome.

The Sportsman's Club meets at the American Legion Hall the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School in Joshua Tree Community Chapel at 9:45 each Sunday morning. Also Adult class. Mrs. M. K. Lee, Superintendent.

COMMUNITY CHURCH

Church services each Sunday morning at Joshua Tree Community Chapel at 11 o'clock. Rev. Williams, pastor.

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Wednesday evening testimony meeting at 8 p.m.

The public is cordially invited to attend.

Church Corner

By ANTOINETTE KIRCH

Next Sunday, September 7th, there will be an all-day meeting at the Community Chapel. Dr. Williams will be back and preach at the 11 o'clock service. At 2:30 there will be a song service and dedication of the new hymnals. Sandwiches, coffee and cookies will be served from 5:30 to 6:30 at which time we can have a sociable gathering and meet and get acquainted with our neighbors. Evening services will be at 7 o'clock.

Everyone in Joshua Tree is most cordially invited to attend any or all of these sessions.

There was a splendid musical program at the Sunday School service. The Crane orchestra, consisting of Milo T. Crane, Flute, Mrs. Artie Crane, Saxaphone, Milo W. Crane. Clarinet and Trent Crane, Clarinet, played "Hallelujah For the Cross" and "God Will Take Care of You." Milo W. Crane played a Clarinet solo, "My Mothers Prayers have Followed Me" and Trent and Milo T. (or Grandpa Crane) played a Colora Flute and Clarinet Duet "No One Cares For Me Like Jesus." Mrs. Bernice Crane sang "Jesus is Tenderly Calling Me."

Tuesday, September 12, there will be a party for the Sunday School children at the home of Mrs. Beard from 2 to 4 p.m.

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It was three up and three down in the top of the first. For the Cubs Thomas walked, Brown lined one to left field, Clark struck out then Gary clouted a long one into the bushes in deep left to score Thomas and himself. Manzer grounded out to end the inning.

The All Stars tied it up in the next frame on hits by Barnett, Holmes, and Sullivan, and two free trips to Bumgardner and Deardorff. Holmes was caught trying to steal third after he doubled Barnett home. Sullivan's single scored Bumgardner but Deardorff and Sullivan were left on base as Hight whiffed and Dye grounded out. The Cubs did nothing in their half of the second. The third was scoreless for both teams. In the fourth Holmes doubled, Bumgardner walked and Deardorff cleared the bases with a long drive past center field. There was no more scoring until the sixth when the All Stars picked up three more on Deardorff's second homer, Fogler's base on balls and Dye's long fly to center that was dropped.

In the last of the seventh the Cubs made a valiant effort and the All Stars went to pieces long enough to let in 4 Cub tallies, but the last two men up flied out after Schultz fanned.

For the winners Sullivan struck out eight, walked four and was touched for six hits. His mates bobbled four times, Marble, hurling for the Cubs, got seven visitors via the strike out route, issued four free trips and gave up seven hits. Only one Cub error was chalked up. The visitors stick work was featured by Deardorff's two circuit clouts in two times at bat and Holmes two doubles. Gary for the Cubs had a perfect evening at the plate with a four bagger and a double.

Berry called balls and strikes, Papendick looked them over at first and Evans was the arbiter at third.

Walt Saunders of Below's began to get a little worried as the game progressed. He offered five dollars for the first home run, which Gary collected. After that he paid a dollar for each home run by either team and it got to be a habit with Deardorff.

Score by innings:

		R	H	E
The All Stars	0 2 0 3 0 3 0	8	7	4
Joshua Cubs	2 0 0 0 0 0 4	6	6	1

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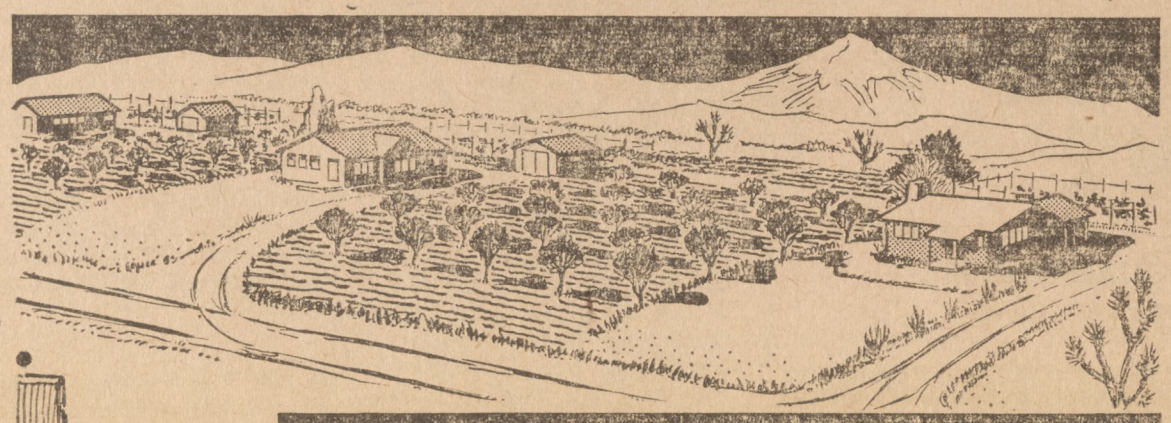

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